



OverDrive Mobile App



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call 703-324-8380 or TTY 703-324-8365.

EPUB eBooks and MP3 eAudiobooks are available for
Androids, iPads, iPhones, iPod Touches, Kindle Fires, and Nook Tablets

The library offers free eBooks and eAudiobooks through a service called OverDrive. There are no late fees. Titles are returned automatically when the checkout period expires or may be returned early. Ten items may be borrowed at a time.

What you will need

- Free OverDrive App
- Valid Fairfax County library card
- Wireless Internet Connection

One-Time Install

1. Download the OverDrive app from your device's app store.
2. Tap **Sign Up**, then **Sign up using library card**. In the **Location** field, type your zip code and then select a library branch.
3. Enter your library card number and password, then tap **Sign In**.
4. Select the **Add a title** button to enter the Fairfax County Public Library OverDrive catalog. You may also enter the OverDrive catalog through the app's Home menu button at the top left of the screen and selecting **Fairfax County Public Library**.

Search, borrow and download eBooks and eAudiobooks

1. From the OverDrive app's Home menu, tap **Fairfax County Public Library** to open the catalog.
2. Select a title from the displayed categories, or use the menu icon or search box to browse or search for titles. Use **Advanced Search** for more options. You may also limit your search to "**Available Now.**"
3. If the title is available (the format icon in the upper-right corner of the cover image is black), tap the book cover and then tap **Borrow**. Enter your library card number if prompted. If preferred, allow the device to remember login information.
4. Titles will be added to your **Checkouts** (under your **Account**). For eBooks, find the title in your Checkouts and tap **Download (Select one format)** to choose EPUB. Then select **Confirm & add to app**. For eAudiobooks, select **Add to app (MP3 Audiobook)**.
5. To open your title, tap the menu icon in the top left to go to the app's **Bookshelf**.

Holds

1. If a title is not available (the format icon in the upper-right corner of the cover is light gray), tap the book cover and then tap **Place a Hold**.
2. Enter your library card number and password if prompted.
3. Enter or confirm your email address and tap **Place a Hold**. You may opt to automatically borrow the title when it becomes available.
4. Check the status of your holds at any time. From your Account, tap on the **Holds** menu to view your holds and your place on the holds list for each item. You may remove holds you no longer want, suspend holds for up to 90 days and turn autocheckout on or off.

When a hold becomes available

You will receive an email from Fairfax County Public library from the address **donotreply@overdrive.com**. If your titles are not set to be automatically borrowed, the hold will expire if not checked out within 96 hours.

1. On your device please visit the **Fairfax County Public Library website** from either the email link or from your device's browser at <http://fairfax.lib.overdrive.com>.
2. Enter your library card number and password if prompted.
3. If your titles are set to be automatically borrowed, download the title from the **Checkouts** menu under Account. If not, borrow and download the title from your Account's **Holds** menu.

Return

In the App Bookshelf, tap and hold the cover to **Return** the item.

Renew

The option to renew a title becomes available three days before the title is set to expire and appears next to the title in your **Checkouts** under your library **Account**. You can only use the renew feature once per title.

OverDrive Read and OverDrive Listen

You may also choose to listen to or read the title in your browser. OverDrive Listen is a streaming audiobook player, so you'll need an active internet connection to use it. If you'd like to listen to audiobooks without an internet connection, you can still use the OverDrive app to download and listen to the MP3 format.

Note: Using OverDrive Listen can consume a lot of data, so if you're on a mobile plan with a data cap, we recommend using a Wi-Fi connection when streaming on your mobile device to avoid data overages.